

27. (original) The method of Claim 26, further including dispensing more of the liquid to the container through said primary apertures than through said tertiary aperture.
28. (original) The method of Claim 26, further including dispensing approximately ten times as much liquid to the container through said primary apertures than through said tertiary aperture.

Remarks

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Reconsideration and allowance of the present application in view of the following remarks and amendments are respectfully requested. Claims 1-20 stand rejected as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 5,909,846 (Sasaki '846). Claims 21-28 stand rejected as being unpatentable over the Applicants' admitted prior art in view of Sasaki '846.

The Applicants have amended Claims 1, 7, 9-11, 17, 19-21, and 25 to more positively recite additional structure for performing the claimed functions to patentably distinguish the claimed invention over the references cited by the Examiner. As amended, the pending claims now recite that the number and size of the primary and secondary apertures are such that the flow rate of the liquid through the secondary apertures is less than or equal to the flow rate of the liquid through the primary apertures. The Applicants respectfully assert that none of the references cited by the Examiner teach or claim a dispersal face with the recited limitations.

For at least the reasons discussed above, the Applicants respectfully submit that the claims patentably define over the cited references. As such, it is believed that the present application is in complete condition for allowance and favorable action, therefore, is respectfully requested. Should any issues remain after consideration of

this amendment, then Examiner Douglas is invited and encouraged to telephone the undersigned at his convenience.

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